

### REMARKS

Reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments, and the following remarks.

With regard to the Telephone Interview on May 7, 2007, the Interview Summary thereof dated May 11, 2007, correctly summarized the fact that all the claims 1 to 15, rather than claims 1 to 12, should have been indicated as being allowable if properly amended.

On Page 2 of the Office Action, the Patent Examiner has objected to the drawings as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include reference characters not mentioned in the description. The Patent Examiner has also objected to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because they do not show every feature of the invention specified in the claims.

Also on Page 4 of the Office Action, the Patent Examiner has required the Section headings for the U.S. Specification.

In response to these formal objections and rejections, the Specification is being amended on Pages 1, 2, and 7 to include the required Section Headings. Also, Page 11 of the

Specification is being amended to provide support for the reference numerals 14, 15, 19, 23, 25, and 26 as set forth on Page 2 of the Office Action.

With regard to the objection to the drawings, it is noted that the involved claims are claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15. Rather than amending the drawings to show these features, instead the mentioned structural features are being cancelled from these claims, as set forth on Pages 2 to 3 of the office Action.

For these reasons, claim 1 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the car body opening," "motor vehicle," "connector," "recess," "housing provided on the inside and outside," "the housing molded onto the mantle wall," "the motor," "the locking element activated by hand," "the back of the bearing lever," "the bearing lever," "the devices on the outsides of the mantle walls," "the attachment projections," and "the supports."

Hence, claim 2 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the closed position of the door."

Thus, claim 4 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the mechanical or viscous brake," "the rotor," "the bearing chamber."

Hence, claim 5 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the perpendicular locking segment provided on the bearing lever," and "the counter-adapted recess."

Hence, claim 8 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the rear-side catch elements" and "car body wall."

Also, claim 9 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the inlet compartment being rectangular, round, or oval."

Thus, claim 11 has been amended to cancel this structural feature:

"the catch tongue."

Also, claim 12 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the hook-shaped locking element," "the locking pin," "the projection," "the bearing lever," "the locking pin or projection on the rear side of the door or on the segment of the bearing lever."

Hence, claim 13 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the attachment projections."

Thus, claim 14 has been amended to cancel these structural features:

"the press-open slide surface," "bearing lever," "switch," "means of pressure," "tank door," "micro-actuator," "setter," "ejector," "open position of the door," "hinge," "spring," and "actuator."

Also, claim 15 has been amended to cancel these structural

features:

"the switch," "circuit," and "control device."

Also, the claims have been amended to overcome the claims objections and rejections as set forth on Pages 4, 5, and 6 of the Office Action.

Claims 2-4 and 11-14 were objected to because of the following informalities:

In claim 2, line 2, "side wall" should perhaps be "mantle wall." Thus, claim 2 was amended to make this change.

In claim 3, line 4, "(20)" should be "(9)." Thus, claim 3 was amended to make this change.

In claim 4, line 3, "viscose" should be "viscous." Thus, claim 4 was amended to make this change.

In claim 11, line 5, "(12)" should be deleted. Thus, claim 11 was amended to make this change.

In claim 12, line 3, "(12)" should perhaps be "(13)." On

line 4, "(13)" should be deleted. Thus, claim 12 was amended to make these changes.

In claim 13, line 3, "(13)" should be deleted. Thus, claim 13 was amended to make this change.

In claim 14, line 3, "(13)" should be deleted. On line 6, "tank" should be deleted. On lines 7 and 8, "(12)" should be deleted. On line 9, "(13)" should be deleted. On line 9, "tank" should be deleted. On line 11, "this" should be "the." Thus, claim 14 was amended to make these changes.

Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 1 recites various limitations such as "the rear wall" in line 3, "the rear wall" in line 6, "the recess" in line 9, "the car body" in line 9, "the wall part" in lines 9-10, "the top and bottom" in line 13, "the closed door" in lines 19-20, "the closed position" in lines 25-26, "the mantle walls" in line 27, and "the supports" in line 30. There is insufficient antecedent basis for these limitations in the claim. Also, in

lines 3, 20, 23, and 28 "and/or" is unclear.

In response to these objections, claim 1 was amended to provide proper antecedent basis, or to cancel certain structural features.

Claim 2 recites the limitation "the closed position" in line 8. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. In response to this objection, claim 2 was amended to cancel this language.

Claim 4 recites the limitation "which brake" in line 6. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. In response to this objection, claim 4 was amended to change "which" to "a."

Claim 5 recites the limitations "which projection" in line 5, "a projection" in lines 5-6. There is insufficient antecedent basis for these limitations in the claim. In response to these objections, claim 5 has been amended to cancel "which."

Claim 8 recites the limitations "the car body wall" in line 4 and "it" in line 6. There is insufficient antecedent basis

for these limitations in the claim. In response to these objections, claim 8 has been amended to cancel these objected to phrases.

Claim 10 recites the limitation "the other elements" in lines 5-6. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. In response to this objection, claim 10 has been amended to cancel this objected to phrase.

Claim 11 recites the limitation "which tongue" in line 4. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. In response to this objection, claim 11 was amended to cancel this objected to phrase.

Claim 13 recites the limitation "the attachment projections" in line 4. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. In response to this objection, claim 13 was amended to cancel this objected to phrase.

Claim 14 recites the limitations "the tank door" in lines 6-7, "which switch" in line 7, "the tank door" in lines 9-10, "which door" in line 10, "this open position" in line 11, "the hinge" in line 12, "a spring" in line 13, and "the actuator" in



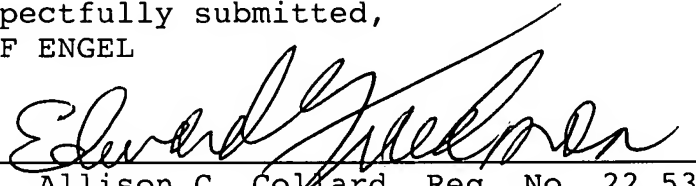
lines 13-14. There is insufficient antecedent basis for these limitations in the claim. In response to these objections, claim 14 was amended to cancel these objected to terms.

Claim 15 recites the limitation "it" in line 2. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. In response to this objection, claim 15 has been amended to correct this.

In view of these amendments, it is firmly believed that the Specification and all the claims are now in complete compliance with all the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112. Withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested. A prompt notification of allowability is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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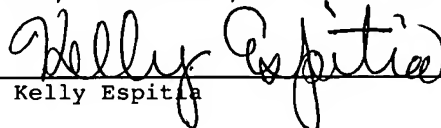
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